

## STAND ON OUR RIGHTS.

Director of the Mint Leach Says the United States Law on Gold Bar Shipments is Now Operative.

Comptroller of the Treasury Orders a Bank Closed in Philadelphia—Gompers Wants Punds.

### DESCRIPTION OF THE VESSELS.

The Utopia, Anson and Rodney All Fine Ships.

NEW YORK, March 18.—The Utopia, which was wrecked in Gibraltar, was built in Glasgow, Scotland, and was commanded by Captain Mitchell. The Rodney, which sank her, is one of the recent additions to the British navy, and is considered one of the most powerful iron-clad afloat. She is of 6000 tons displacement, twin screws, 7500 horsepower and mounts ten heavy guns, four of which are six-inch guns, her armor is steel-faced and has a thickness from ten to eighteen inches. She belongs to the same class as the Benbow, Anson and Howe. The Anson, which was collision with the Utopia, is a sister ship to the Rodney, the only difference being that the Anson is 10,000 tons displacement instead of 9000 tons.

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### THE GOLD BARS MUST GO.

All Available Coin Taken and Government Asked to Allow Gold Bars Shipped.

NEW YORK, March 20.—Heidellach, Ickelheim & Co. have taken \$25,000 in gold coin on the sub-treasury for a shipment to Berlin. This makes the total taken and requested \$1,350,000.

Supt Mason of the assayer's office will telegraph a request for gold bars to Washington, an answer is not expected until after banking hours. It will be difficult to take the bars and get them to the steamer in the short time between the beginning of business and the hour for sailing tomorrow.

### THE RESERVE TOO SMALL.

A National Bank Closed by Government Orders.

PHILADELPHIA, March 20.—The Keystone National bank closed its doors this morning by order of the comptroller of the currency. Its largest depositor is the city of Philadelphia, which has about \$400,000 in it. The authorized capital is \$500,000. A surplus of \$200,000 is claimed.

No statement of the bank's liabilities and assets is attainable. It is said that the bank was closed by the comptroller by reason of its reserve fund having fallen below the amount required by the national banking law. The bank has deposits amounting to about \$1,400,000 and it is claimed it has assets sufficient to meet this amount.

It is thought that depositors will get their money in full. No one will lose a dollar except the stockholders.

### A WYOMING SENATOR TALKS.

The Present Silver Law is Correct and Should Have a Fair Trial.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Senator Carey of Wyoming, in an interview today said: "The so-called free coinage craze in the west has been largely exaggerated. The great mass of the clear-headed and conservative element are in favor of giving the present law a thorough trial, believing that it will fully meet the business requirements of the country. Though full of western business, we believe in sound money as much as our brothers in the east, only the west believes in a larger circulating medium." The senator thinks that President Harrison will be re-nominated.

### BRIGANDAGE IN AMERICA.

A Prominent Detroit Citizen Captured and Held for Ransom.

DETROIT, March 20.—Joseph Perrier, a wealthy citizen of this city, was called to his door last night by a stranger with a message purporting to come from a sick friend. Perrier entered a coupe with the messenger and drove away. Early this morning Perrier's nephew received a message from his uncle stating that he was held for ransom and asking for \$30,000. The police are investigating.

### THEY WANT FUNDS.

President Gompers Asks for Money to Assist in the Coming Struggle.

BOSTON, March 20.—A call signed by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor Unions of America, which urges the necessary and immediate contribution of funds for the 150,000 coal miners whose struggle for eight hours per day is to begin May 1st, has been issued.

### The "Sandy" Olds Trial.

HILLSBORO, Or., March 20.—"Sandy" Olds' case was resumed this morning. Several witnesses for the defense testified similar to that adduced at previous trials. Court adjourned till one o'clock. The case will probably be given to the jury tonight.

### After the Boulangerists.

PARIS, March 20.—The police raided and searched the houses of a number of Boulangerists. They also made several arrests. Many revolutionary documents were seized by the police and will be used in evidence at the trial of the men in custody.

### The Mail Sending Threatening Letters.

ST. LOUIS, March 20.—Dispatches from Texas say the New Orleans Mail is sending threatening letters to persons who expressed disapproval of their methods.

### The Batavia Gets Off Safely.

ATREBIA, March 20.—The steamer "Batavia" was towed off the bank by the tug "Astoria" this morning without damage.

### Missouri Makes a Handsome Appropriation.

ST. LOUIS, March 20.—The legislature today passed a bill appropriating \$150,000 for state exhibits at the World's Fair.

## GOULD HAS ENOUGH.

It is Announced that he Intends to Re-pudiate the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co.'s Lease.

Oxford Wins the Great Boat Race—A Large Shipment of Gold Found—No Poison Was Found—GOULD TO REPUDIATE.

### The Wizard to Drop the O. R. & N. Lease.

OMAHA, March 21.—It is reported that Gould is laying the plan for a repudiation of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co.'s lease because the lease entails a yearly loss of one million.

### GOLD IS INCREASING.

Official Estimates of Amount of Gold Bullion Produced.

NEW YORK, March 21.—The production of gold in the United States according to the official estimate of the United States mint was \$64,000,000, for 1880 and 1890. There has been an increase of gold in the form of bullion or coin to the approximate amount of \$29,000,000 in the United States in the last two years. In view of the above the increase of stock gold in the country it is difficult by any financial means to account for the nervousness with which the export of a little gold is now regarded.

### THE CHICAGO CONVENTION.

Harrison's Supporters' Bolt and Make a Sensation.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 21.—The democratic city convention for the nomination of a candidate for mayor was the scene of a sensation this morning. One hundred delegates, supporters of ex-mayor Harrison, bolted the convention and repaired to another hall. The remaining delegates will renominate Cregier. The defection of Harrison makes it certain that there will be two democratic tickets in the field. Harrison has the support of the German democrats and the Personal Rights league.

### Legislators Assaulting Each Other.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—The Post-Sacramento special says, that assemblyman Burner of Humboldt has caused the arrest of assemblyman Low of Santa Clara on charge of assault for the latter's action at the time of the introduction into the assembly yesterday, of a report of the committee investigating the Bruner charges. The mayor of Sacramento it is stated has granted permission for Bledsoe, who is a small man to carry fire arms.

### Moonskinners Kill Revenue Officers.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The commissioner of the internal revenue bureau has received a telegram from Greensboro, N. C., saying that R. J. Barnwell, a revenue officer was killed and deputy marshal Brim mortally wounded by moonskinners in Stokes county, yesterday.

### Death from an Amateur Prize Fight.

SAVANNAH, March 21.—Robert Willink, who was knocked down last night by Byrnie Murphy in an amateur prize fight at the athletic tournament here, died this morning from concussion of the brain. Willink was a son of Henry Willink, owner of the Savannah Marine Railway.

### A Coal Oil Ship Lost.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—The steamship Oceania which arrived from China and Japan early this morning brings advices that the J. C. Warr, bound from New York to Ningapo with a cargo of kerosene oil was lost after leaving Batavia. No particulars are known.

### Oxford Wins.

LONDON, March 21.—Oxford won the eight oared race over Cambridge today. The race was rowed from Putney to Mortlake. The course distance is about four miles. Oxford's time was 22 minutes. Betting was three to one on Oxford.

### Working Men's Co-Operative Store.

CHICAGO, March 21.—A workmen's co-operative society has been formed here. The first store will open for the sale of meat and groceries only and it is intended to extend them to other branches as fast as the growth of the society may warrant.

### Gets a Life Imprisonment.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.—Frederick C. Beck, the writer who killed John M. Bowen, a grocery clerk, November 1, 1889, was sentenced by Judge Murphy today to San Quentin for life.

### A Receiver Appointed.

BIRMINGHAM, March 21.—On the petition of the Merchants company of Baltimore, Colonel Montgomery has been appointed receiver for the Birmingham, Powderly and Bessemer railroad.

### Ship Long Overdue.

LONDON, March 21.—The British bark Dumfrieshire which sailed from San Francisco, October 20th for Hull is considerably overdue and much anxiety is felt concerning her.

### The Gold Exports Over a Million.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Gold coin to the amount of \$500,000 was ordered this morning for export to Europe, making a total for today's shipments of \$1,050,000.

### A Small Conflict.

LISBON, March 21.—Rumors are current that another conflict occurred between the English and Portuguese on the Limpopo river.

### A Missing Girl.

PORTLAND, Or., March 21.—Nellie Randolph, aged 14 years, has been missing from her home on Portland heights since March 12th.

### Mourning for Their Compatriots.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Memorial service was held this forenoon for the eleven Italians who were lynched at New Orleans.

## THE NEW ORLEANS EPISODE.

An Investigation of the Affair to be Commenced by the Grand Jury.

NEW ORLEANS, March 19.—Before the grand jury today, Thomas G. Collins testified concerning the bringing of the jurors in the Hennessy case. Collins was in the secret service of the city, but managed to gain the confidence of private Detective O'Malley, who took him into his employ. His testimony today was, of course, secret, but startling developments are expected. The city attempted another coup similar to the Collins scheme, but this, although well planned, fell through. A detective was brought here from Italy, arrested upon charge of counterfeiting, and sent to the parish prison. He was put into the same cell with the other Italian prisoners, but the assassins became distrustful of the new comer, and nothing was learned. Sheriff Villere, in his report concerning the occurrences at the prison last Saturday, after giving a list of the Italian prisoners, says he received no intimation that the prisoners were to be disturbed. He says he saw the call for the meeting of citizens and he at once went to the prison, where he received the fourteen men on duty to take every precaution. He then drove to the court and reported to Judge Baker. On the way he met the chief of police, and the chief of police for a force to aid his deputies in repelling an attack if one should be made. He called to the mayor's office, but that gentleman had not yet arrived. At about 10:30 he went to the grand jury and gave him instructions to formally demand from the mayor assistance and to report the result to him. While at the mayor's he was informed of the attack on the jail.

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